was nede to ech for-sope Joseph
þ was named barsabas of apost-
lis þ is to sey þe sone of cou-fort
of þe lynage of leuy and of cy-
pre: whan he hadde a feeld solde
it & brouzte þe þis: & leide it bi-
fore þe feet of apostlis // C. v. //

But ana and wyf his name
wiþ safira his wyf: sol-
de a feeld / & defraudide of
þe prys of þe feeld & his wyf was
wityge / & he brouzte a part & lei-
de bifore þe feet of þe apostlis /
& petre seide to hi / zanay why
hast sathanas tempted þin herte þ
þou lye to þe hooly goost: & to de-
fraude of þe prys of þe feeld?
whey it vnseeld was not þin: &
whan it was seeld it was i þi po-
wer: why hast þou put þis þyg
in þin herte: þ hast not lyed to
me: but to god / ananay herde þes
wordis: & felde doun & was ded /
& greet drede was maad on alle þ
herde. & zonge men risen & mou-
de hi al wey: & baren hi out & buri-
eden. & pere was maad as a space
of yre ouris: & his wyf knewe
not þat þyng þ was don. & entride
& petre answeride to hir / woman
seie to me: whey ze seldeu þe fe-
eld for so moche: / & she seide zhe
for so moche / & petre seide to hir /
what bifel to zou: to tempte þe spi-
rit of þe lord: lo þe feet of hem
þ han buried þin holobonde ben
at þe doze: & þei schulen bere þee
out / anoon she felde doun at his
feet: & diede / & þe zonge men en-
triden & foundeu hir deed & þei ba-
ren hir out & buriden to hir hose
bonde / and greet drede was ma-
ad in al þe chirche: & unto
alle þ herden þes þyngis / & bi þe
hoondis of þe apostlis signes
& many wondris weren maad in
þe peple / & alle weren of on acord
in þe porche of salomon / but no
man of oþir durste ioyne hi self
wiþ hem: but þe peple magnyfiede
hem / & þe multitude of men & of wy-
men bileuynge in þe lord: was
more encreesid / so þat þei bi-
riden out sijke men into streetis:
& leiden in litil beddis & couchis þ
whanne petre cam namely þe scha-
dowe of hi schulde schadowe ech
of hem / & þei schulden be delyuer-
id fro her syknessis / and þe multi-
tude of citees nyz to ierlm ran:
bryngynge sijk men & þ wexid trou-
beld of vncleene spiritis: whiche
alle weren heelid / but þe prince of
prestis roos up. & alle þ were
with hi. þ is þe eresie of saduce-
is: & were fillid with enuye / & lei-
den hondis on þe apostlis. & putte
den hem in þe comyn warde / but þe
angel of þe lord openyde by nyz
te þe zatis of þe prisoun: & ledde hem
out & seide / go ze & stonde ze & spe-
ke in þe temple to þe peple: alle
þe wordis of þis lyf / whan whanne
þei hadden herd þei entriden eerly
into þe temple & tauzten. & þe prin-
ce of prestis cam & þei þ were
with hi: & clepiden to gidre þe coun-
cel. & alle þe eldre men of þe chil-
dren of israel / & senten to þe pri-
soun: þat þei schulden be brouzt forp /
& whanne þe mynistris camen / fou-
den hem not. & for þe prisoun was
openyd: þei turneden azen / & tel-
den & seiden / we foundeu þe prisoun
schitt with al diligence & þe kepe-
ris stondinge at þe zatis / but we



openyde. & foundeu no man þerynne /
& as þe maystratis of þe temple.
& þe princes of prestis herden þes wor-
dis: þei douteden of hem what was
don / but anan cam: & telde to hem /
for lo þo men whiche ze han putt i
to prisoun: ben in þe temple & stonden
& techen þe peple / panne þe mayst
trat went with þe mynistris:
& brouzte hem without violence /
for þei dredden þe peple: lest þei schu
lden be stoned / & whanne þei had
hem brouzt hem: þei settiden hem in þe
counsel / & þe prince of prestis: axi-
den hem & seide / i comaundemet we
comaunden zou: þ ze schulden not
teche in þis name / & lo ze han fil
lid ierlm with zoure techyng: & ze
wolen bryngen on vs þe blood of
þis man / & petre answeride & þe a-
postlis & seiden / it bihoueþ to obeie
to god: more than to men / god of ou
re fadris reisede ihu whom ze slo
wen: hangynge in a tre / god en
haunside with his rizthond þis prin
ce & sauyour: þ penaunce were zo
uen to israel & remyssioun of synnes /
& we ben witnessis of þes wordis.
& þe hooly goost whom god zaf to al
le obeischinge to hi / whanne þei her-
den þes þyngis: þei were turmen
tid. & ponzten to sle hem / but a man
ros in þe counsel. a farisee gamal
iel bi name. a doctour of þe lawe.
a worschipful man to al þe peple: &
comaundide þe men to be putt wyp
oute forp. for a while / & he seide
to hem / ze men of israel take treut
to zou silf on þes men: what ze sch
ulen do / for bifore þes dayes Teo
das þat seide hi silf to be sum man:
to whom a noumbre of men consentri
de. aboute foure hundrid / which was
slayn: & alle þ bileuede to hi. were
dispersid & brouzt to nouzt / af
ter þis Judas of galile was in þe
dayes of descriuon: & drou nede a wey
þe peple after hi / & alle hous many
eue counsentide to hi: were scaterid
& he perischide / & nous þ forp I seie
to zou: departe ze fro þes men. &
suffre ze hem / for if þis counsel eþ
werk is of men: it schal be vndon /
but if it is of god: ze mouen not / lest
perauenture ze be foundu
to repugne god / & þei consentide
to hi. & þei clepide to gidre þe apost
lis & denounsedde to hem þ þei were be
tun: þ þei schulde no more speke in
þe name of ihu. & þei leeten hem go /
& þei went ioyinge fro þe sizt of
þe counsel: þ þei were had worpi
to suffre dispitiyng for þe name
of ihu / but ech day þei ceesliden
not in þe temple & aboute houses:
to teche & to preche ihu crist // C. vj //

Be in po dayes. whanne þe
noumbre of disciplis encr-
side. þe grekis gruchide
azen þe ebreus. for þer widolw
were dispisid in eiþy dayes my
nystrige / & þe twelue clepiden
to gidre þe multitude of disciplis
& seiden / it is not rizthul þ we le
ue þe word of god. & mynistren
to bordis / þerfore bihelde ze
men of zou. of good fame / ful of
þe hooly goost & of wysdom: whi
che we schulen ordeyne on þis
werk. for we schulen be bisy to
preier & preche þe word of god
& þe word pleside bifore alle þe
multitude / & þei chesiden steuene
a man ful of feip & of þe hooly goost.
& philip & prochore & nycanor. &
timon & parmanam & nicol a